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CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, SF, WA, TZ
SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: TANGOV RELEASE OF SWAPO DETAINEES

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1. FOLLOWING OUR DISCUSSIONS 4 FEBRUARY ABOUT PROSPECTS OF
FORNMINISTER MKAPA'S PRESENCE IN NEW YORK FOR PROXIMITY TALKS
(SEPTEL), MWASAKAFYUKA TOLD CHARGE THAT NUJOMA JUST BEFORE HE
DEPARTED DAR 1 FEBRUARY GAVE TANGOV LIST OF SWAPO DETAINEES
WHOM NUJOMA HOPED TANGOV WOULD NOT RELEASE. MWASAKAFYUKA
SAID HE HAS NOT YET SEEN THE LIST. HE SAID THAT HE NOW
EXPECTED THAT TANGOV WOULD NOT RPT NOT RELEASE DETAINEES
UNTIL AFTER NEW YORK PROXIMITY TALKS. MWASAKAFYUKA PERSONALLY
REGRETTED THAT DECISION BECAUSE IT WOULD APPEAR THAT TANGOV
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DECISION WAS REACTION TO SOUTH AFRICA PRESSURE ON THIS ISSUE.
"THAT WOULD NOT BE TRUE," HE STATED. HE THOUGHT THAT DESPITE
POSTPONEMENT OF RELEASE DATE ("WE HAD GONE DOWN TO THE WIRE ON
ARRANGEMENTS FOR ACTUAL RELEASE"), NUJOMA STILL HAS GOTTEN THE
POINT.

2. EMBASSY WISHES TO REFER TO REF B RE SENSITIVITY AND
CONTROL OF THIS INFORMATION. WALKER

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WASHINGTON FOR THE PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY, ASST. SECRETARY
MOOSE AND NSC THORNTON AND RICHARDSON

LAGOS FOR AMBASSADOR EASUM

MONROVIA FOR AMBASSADOR CARTER

NAIROBI FOR AMBASSADOR LE MELLE

USUN FOR AMBASSADOR YOUNG

6. IT WOULD INCLUDE NIGERIA BECAUSE OF ITS SIZE AND POWER, ITS ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL INTEREST TO US AND OTHER AFRICANS, ITS ROLE AS THE PRINCIPAL AND MOST RESPONSIBLE ACTIVIST NATION OF WEST AFRICA, ITS POTENTIAL IN A RHODESIA SOLUTION, AND, OF COURSE, BECAUSE OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S PRIOR COMMITMENT TO A VISIT THERE.

7. LIBERIA WOULD BALANCE OFF NIGERIA IN WEST AFRICA. IT IS OUR MOST TRADITIONAL FRIEND THERE,
IT PROVIDES US SOME UNIQUE ASSESTS,
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AND WE SHOULD BE CAREFUL NOT TO ALIENATE OUR SUPPORTERS AS WE SEEK TO WIN OVER OUR CRITICS. I ASSUME ALSO THAT LIBERIA VERY MUCH WANTS A VISIT AND A FAILURE TO OFFER ONE COULD HURT RELATIONS.

8. IN EAST AFRICA, KENYA IS THE OBVIOUS COUNTERPART OF LIBERIA (AND COUNTERPOISE TO TANZANIA). IT TOO IS A TRADITIONAL FRIEND WITH IMPORTANT ECONOMIC AND SECURITY TIES WITH THE US. JOMO KENYATTA, ITS LEADER, IS A FIGURE OF WORLD RENOWN. IT HAS IMPORTANT CONCERNS ABOUT THE HORN, AN AREA OF CONSIDERABLE

CURRENT INTEREST TO US.

9. NIGERIA, LIBERIA, TANZANIA, KENYA, PROVIDE A CERTAIN
SYMMETRY: EAST AND WEST, RADICAL AND CONSERVATIVE; OLD FRIENDS
AND NEW COLLABORATORS; OVERNIGHT STOPS IN TWO; REFUELING OR
LUNCH STOPS IN THE OTHER TWO. THIS FORMULA, HOWEVER, IGNORES
FRANCOPHONE AFRICA, AND IT MAY BE THAT AN IDEAL VISIT SHOULD
HAVE A STOP THERE. ON THIS WE HERE ARE MYOPIC, AND ARE HAPPY
TO LEAVE THE PROS AND CONS TO OTHERS.
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